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\$1 A YEAR

HIGHEST MILITARY HONORS ARE PAID TO LATE AMBASSADOR WHITELOW REID

SHAWKEY SHOWS THE SPIRIT OF PROGRESS IN HIS REPORT

Makes a Number of Splendid
Recommendations to
the Legislature.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 21.—The recommendations of the state superintendent of schools to the forthcoming session of the legislature are in keeping with the rapid progress made in the school system of the state. Mr. Shawkey goes further in his recommendations, however, than he has in any previous biennial reports. He believes that greater efficiency is possible if the office of state superintendent of schools was an appointive rather than an elective office. And at the same time Mr. Shawkey suggests that the state superintendent of schools should be relieved as a member of the state board of public works in view of the large number of important duties devolving upon that official.

The first recommendation in the report is that the minimum salary for teachers be increased. At present they are \$40, \$5, and \$30 respectively for the three grades. He thinks that by increasing the salary of the first and second grade more teachers holding those grades would remain in the service. At present about 10,000 teachers are employed in the state. Of this number one-fourth retire each year, causing at least 2,500 new teachers to enter the school room every school year. That the increase in the salary of the teacher has greatly assisted in keeping experienced teachers in the school room is attested by the state superintendent.

"We expect from a teacher a grade of service comparing with that of lawyers, doctors, ministers, engineers and other professional men but we pay them less than the average wages received by clerks, stenographers, bookkeepers or even railroad brakemen, city firemen, policemen or janitors," says Mr. Shawkey. "For the sake of the schools as well as the teachers, the salaries for second and first grade certificates should be materially increased."

An Endowment Fund.
Under this subject Mr. Shawkey makes a strong plea for progressive legislation, and cites a number of states in sustaining his position. Texas has a permanent school fund of over twenty million dollars. Minnesota is still richer in school fund endowment.

"In my former report I called attention to the proposition for a production tax on gas, the major part of the proceeds of which should be devoted to our schools. . . . If the state had asserted its title to a proper share of the gas, oil and coal of this state forty years ago, it would now have abundance of revenues for building good roads and for schools and for other governmental purposes without any direct taxation. Even at this late day the matter should be carefully considered and if possible some just and equitable provision should be made that the state might share in some degree the great mineral resources with which it has been so richly endowed."

"While the minerals to which I have referred have passed into private ownership and are rapidly being exploited and exhausted, our abundant water power has just begun to develop. West Virginia is particularly favored in the large number of rapidly flowing mountain streams within her borders. . . . A very small royalty on the power thus produced in this state, if put into a permanent fund for maintaining schools and building good roads, will do more to insure the future than anything that can be done at this time."

Health Regulation.
School house architecture, ventilation, drainage and out-buildings play an important part in the health of the citizens of the state, contends the superintendent. The medical inspection law enacted two years ago is said to have already done a great deal of good. He urges the passage of a law abolishing the common drinking cup, and another to provide more definite architectural standards in school buildings.

Non-Partisan Boards of Education.
The public schools should be free from political influences, Mr. Shawkey says.

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WIFE OF MILLIONAIRE TO GIVE MANY ENTERTAINMENTS IN \$50,000 BALL ROOM



Mrs. Edson Bradley, wife of the New York and Washington millionaire, will this winter be the hostess at many entertainments given in her new \$50,000 ball room, which has just been completed. Many of the social functions to be given here will have a price of admission charged to those who receive invitations and the proceeds will be given to various charities.

CHRISTMAS TREE IS GREAT AFFAIR

Now in Course of Erection
Outdoors at Madison
Square Garden.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Work of setting a giant Christmas tree in Madison Square Garden which will be an outdoor novelty for poor children here during the holiday season commenced today.

It is sixty feet high and its branches have spread twenty feet.

A choral festival with many nationalities participating will be a feature of Christmas eve when at 5 o'clock in the evening all church bells will be rung for twenty minutes as a signal for lighting the tree with 1,200 colored electric bulbs.

It is hoped to make the outdoor Christmas tree a nation wide custom.

CANTON

Elects Officers for the Year
and Will Install Them
January 3.

At a regular meeting held last night by Canton Clarksburg, No. 9, the following named persons were elected to serve as officers for the ensuing year:

E. W. Sullivan, captain; George W. Duncan, lieutenant; Bruce Stout, ensign; E. J. Day, accountant; and A. F. Combs, clerk.

Installation of officers and inspection will be held about Friday night, January 3.

SPECIAL TRAIN

Is Conveying 30,000 Turkeys
from Hills of Tennessee
to Their Death.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21.—Traveling to their death in a special train 30,000 turkeys passed through here today enroute to Philadelphia, Baltimore and New York markets from the sunny hills of east Tennessee. Taken in conjunction with a similar shipment made before Thanksgiving, their value is said to be \$500,000.

Mrs. C. M. Johnston, of Wilkes Barre, Pa., is a guest of Mrs. William A. Blair.

As the Body Starts from
London for the United
States.

PROCESSION IS LARGE

British Cruiser, Natal, Bringing
the Body to the City
of New York.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The body of the late Ambassador Whitelaw Reid started on its journey to the United States today and highest military honors were paid it as it left London.

The coffin was placed on a gun carriage, drawn by six horses and driven by men of the royal horse artillery. Eight non-commissioned officers acting as bearers walked on each side as the procession started from the Dorchester house. It was led by a squadron of horse guards in bright breastplates, helmets, long plumes and scarlet cloaks which enveloped horse and man. A band of Scots guards and pipers of a regiment played dirges, and following the casket was a battalion of Scots guards wearing bearskin head dress and with their arms reversed. A battery of artillery in St. James park fired nineteen guns and the line of the procession was kept clear by mounted police.

The only mourner was Corporal Donovan, a British army pensioner, who had been in Ambassador Reid's service.

A guard honor in the Victoria station presented arms, when the coffin was brought in. Gathered inside were the commander of the London district and other notables. A Scots band played "Abide With Me" as the train drew out and pipers played "Flowers of the Forest," a Highland dirge.

Staffs of embassy and consulate traveled with the funeral party to Portsmouth, where the casket was placed on the British cruiser, Natal, to be taken to New York.

SERIOUSLY ILL

Is Dr. Alderman, President of
University of Virginia,
Who Was to Be Here.

Word has been received in this city that Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia, is seriously ill. His physicians have ordered him to Lake Saranac, N. Y., for an indefinite stay. President Alderman was to have been guest of honor and chief speaker at the University of Virginia alumni banquet to be held at the Waldorf hotel, December 30. Out of regret and courtesy, the committee in charge of the banquet has decided to postpone it until such time as Dr. Alderman can be present. Mrs. Alderman writes that President Alderman is slightly improved since their arrival at Lake Saranac. It is hoped that Dr. Alderman may have a speedy recovery, in which case the banquet will be held at an early date.

DISMISSED

Are Peace Warrants in Two Courts
against Columbia Mine Men.

Peace warrants issued against William Rogers and his son, William, of Columbia Mines, at the instance of James Urcheck, a miner of that place, were dismissed at hearings Friday night in Justice Gordon's court, and a peace warrant issued against Urcheck in Justice Carter's court by Rogers was dismissed there Friday night. The cases resulted from a quarrel over children.

HOLDEN IS OUT.

Fleming H. Holden, deputy to the county clerk, compelled to stay indoors a few days on account of influenza, is out again.

HOUSE BURNS.

Samuel Clark, a colored employee of J. H. Matthews and Company, at the Owens Eastern Bottle Company's plant, had his house and contents burned Friday. A small contribution was made by the J. H. Matthews Company, the Penn Bridge Company, of Pittsburgh, and Simon Small and Son, contractors.

W. S. Geary is here from Parkersburg.

JUSTICE RATHER THAN FORCE IS SUGGESTED

WASHINGTON SOCIETY GOES IN FOR ICE
SKATING; SEC. MEYER LEADS MOVEMENT



Secretary George Von L. Meyer and his daughter Alice on the Potomac. Washington official society is going in for ice skating, and steps have been taken to build a rink on the grounds used by the Washington Horse show in the spring. Secretary of the Navy George Von L. Meyer in a letter to the movement. An elaborate system of lighting is proposed to permit use of the rink at night for "ice dances" during the season.

JURY SAYS DEATH WAS ACCIDENTAL

TWO MINES

In This Section Purchased by
the Calvert Coal and
Coke Company.

The Calvert Coal and Coke Company, of Chicago, has purchased the coal mines of the Daniel Coal Company at Byron and Robey, this state. The purchase was consummated late Friday afternoon. The purchaser will take charge of the two mines January 1.

The Chicago concern found it necessary to acquire two additional mines in this region on account of the large increase of tonnage of Fairmont gas coal secured by it.

W. W. Fowler, of Chicago, vice president and general manager of the purchasing company, personally negotiated the deal, the purchase being made of Daniel Howard, Vincent E. Goeke and others. The deal involved a large amount of money, although the consideration has not been made public.

The Calvert Coal and Coke Company is a large concern and it enjoys an extensive trade. It has a suite of offices in the new Union National Bank building with J. Ray Quinn, eastern manager of the company, in charge.

MUST MORTGAGE

His Property in Order to Pay
Alimony Granted to His
Wife.

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 21.—Alimony in the sum of \$25,000 was granted today to Mrs. Owen McCann from her husband, who conducts a produce business in Pittsburg. McCann complained that he did not have that much money available and Judge Monroe told him to mortgage his property.

PAYMASTERS

Are Held Up, Beaten Inseparably
and Robbed by Four
Auto Bandits.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Four auto bandits today attacked two paymasters of the Silk Finishing Company of America on the lower West Side, beat them into unconsciousness and robbed them of \$1,200, the weekly payroll.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—December wheat closed 86 3/8, corn 48 1/8, oats 33 1/8.

By Governor Baldwin Before
the Peace Conference
at Washington.

IN ANNUAL SPEECH

President of the Conference
Gives Number of Reasons
for Position.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Justice rather than self-serving force as the normal rule of international intercourse is the hope for the future expressed by Governor Simon E. Baldwin of Connecticut before the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes last night.

In his address as president of the society, the governor described the growth of the movement tending toward the establishment of an international court of justice, and found such a court to be a natural incident of the evolution of the modern world.

He said in part:

"It has been a distinctive feature of the international diplomatic conventions of the last three quarters of a century, that there have often been agreements between a few powers to regulate the conduct of other nations of less political importance. European practice pronounces such action justifiable, as a matter of self-protection, making on the whole for the common good."

"Where it is taken by the consent of all the powers whom what is so concerted may affect, no fault can be found with such conventions. But if that consent is wanting, the ends to further which this society has been organized seem to me inconsistent with any doctrine that rests at bottom on the assumption that might makes right. We stand for a course of proceeding, which in its nature demands impartiality, and so postulates equality of treatment."

"Belgium has no navy, though possessing so important a port as Antwerp, and large commercial interests in Africa. It is because she has been neutralized by a concert between several of the great European powers. Is it impossible that with the general progress of human society, so rapid of late years, the time be near when a similar concert may effectually guaranty the powers which are parties to it against invasion by each other."

"I do not affirm that this possibility exists. There has hardly been a concert of powers more imposing than that of Paris in 1856, or that of Berlin in 1878."

"In the face of this, and of the Hague convention of 1907, for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes, to the preparation of which Italy and Turkey were both parties, though neither has ratified it, we have seen Italy take possession of Tripoli and then annex it, by formal act of her legislative assembly, without any public protest by any of the great powers. We have since seen them look on, without open remonstrance, while the Balkan peoples were apparently bent on driving Turkey out of Europe."

"I do not, therefore, dare to hope that there will be in the near future such a thing as an effectual and perpetual guaranty of the territorial integrity of any country by other countries. But of this I do feel confident, that no guaranty, designed to be of such a nature, will long survive the interests, to support which it was devised, unless it be fortified by some sanction of an imposing character."

"War has such a character. It carries with it the pomp of power. Its instruments are planned, in part, and formerly were planned in great part, for scenic effect. Any substitute for it must, if possible, be something not less psychologically impressive."

"The human mind naturally responds to the sentiment of justice. Justice in the abstract is naturally represented by court in the concrete. The thoughtful men in every land control its politics, and to them what, of earthly make, can be more imposing than justice, administered in a stately building, such as that to be opened next September at the Hague, and in stately form, by a permanent and impartial court, according to previously established rules?"

"But justice is never so strong as when it is identified with expediency. An international court will rest on a

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